

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

July 22, 1998

Docket Number 1974A

CONTINUATION APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)(2)

Box CPA
Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)(2) of pending prior application Serial Number 08/863,113, filed on of May 27, 1997, of André Marie Goineau and Jerry Nathaniel King for IMPROVED POLYMERIC YARN. It is requested that the file jacket and contents of the prior application be utilized and that the prior application be expressly abandoned upon receipt of this paper. The filing fee is calculated below:

1. Prior to examination, please enter the accompanying Amendment.

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| Basic Fee | ***** | ***** | ***** 0 | ***** | \$790.00 |
| Total Claims | 8 | 20 | 0 | 22.00 | 0.00 |
| Independent Claims | 2 | 3 | 0 | 82.00 | 0.00 |
| TOTAL FILING FEE | ***** | ***** | ***** | ***** | \$790.00 |

2. Please amend the specification to include "Related Applications: This application is a continuation of pending prior application Serial Number 08/863,113, filed on May 27, 1997, of André Marie Goineau and Jerry Nathaniel King for IMPROVED POLYMERIC YARN.

- 3 A check in the amount of \$790.00 to cover the Filing Fee is enclosed.



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4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any over-payment to Deposit Account No. 04-0500. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,



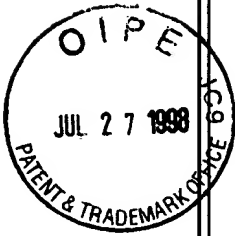
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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: André M. Goineau, et al.

Serial Number: 08/863,113 (formerly)

Filed: May 27, 1997 (formerly)

For: **METHOD TO PRODUCE IMPROVED POLYMERIC YARN**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
 Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Cancel Claims 3 - 10.

Add the following claims:

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11. A process to provide a fully oriented single ply industrial yarn from a single ply low molecular weight polyester partially oriented yarn comprising the steps of: providing a bobbin of single ply polyester POY multifilament yarn, ^{supplying} the single ply yarn to a heater, drawing said single ply in a draw zone in the range of 1.8 - 2.3 as it passes over the heater to produce a fully oriented, single ply yarn and supplying the fully oriented single ply yarn directly to a take-up roll without further processing.

12. The process of Claim 11 wherein said yarn is pretensioned prior to the supply of same to the draw zone.

13. The process of Claim 12 wherein said heater is operating at about a temperature of 210°C.

14. The method of Claim 13 wherein the yarn is pretensioned with a draw ratio of 1.01.

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